

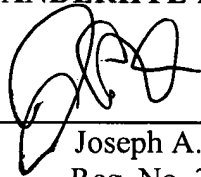
**REMARKS**

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2008. Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of claims 1-32. While applicant does not agree with the Section 112 rejections, claims 49 and 54 have been amended above to address the Section 112 issues and to expedite prosecution. All claims are now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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